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DEPARTMENT

EXT.

June 17, 2008

Mr. Michael J. Lidgard, Manager NPDES Permits Unit EPA Region 10, OWW-130 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101-3140

SUBJECT: Lummi Nation Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification for the

NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from

Construction Activities - Permit No. WAR10-000I

Dear Mr. Lidgard:

In response to your letter dated May 21, 2008 (received in our office on May 22, 2008) and Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), the Lummi Natural Resources Department hereby certifies that the proposed issuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for storm water discharges from construction activities (CGP) on tribal lands in the State of Washington (Permit No. WAR10-000I) will comply with the applicable provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the CWA and Title 17 of the Lummi Code of Laws, as amended provided that the conditions listed below are implemented. This certification is valid for three years from the date of this letter subject to the following conditions:

General Conditions:

- 1. This certification does not exempt and is provisional upon compliance with other applicable statutes and codes administered by federal and Lummi tribal agencies. Pursuant to Lummi Code of Laws (LCL) 17.05.020(a), the operator must also obtain a land use permit from the Lummi Planning Department as provided in Title 15 of the Lummi Code of Laws and regulations adopted thereunder.
- 2. Pursuant to LCL 17.05.020(a), each operator shall develop and submit a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to the Lummi Water Resources Division for review and approval by the Water Resources Manager prior to beginning any discharge activities.
- 3. Pursuant to LCL Title 17, each operator shall be responsible for achieving compliance with the Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters of the Lummi Indian Reservation (Lummi Administrative Regulations [LAR] 17 LAR 07.010 through 17 LAR 07.210).

- 4. Each operator shall submit a copy of the Notice of Intent to the Lummi Water Resources Division at the same time it is submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 5. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans and Notices of Intent shall be submitted to:

Lummi Natural Resources Department ATTN: Water Resources Manager 2616 Kwina Road Bellingham, WA 98226

Please see the Lummi Nation website (<u>www.lummi-nsn.gov</u>) to review a copy of Title 17 of the Lummi Code of Laws and the references upon which the conditions identified above are based. For further coordination on this proposed issuance of the CGP, please contact Lummi Water Resources Manager Jeremy Freimund (360-384-2212).

Sincerely,

Merle Jefferson, Executive Director Lummi Natural Resources Department

cc Richard Jefferson, LIBC Planning Department Director Leroy Deardorff, LIBC Environmental Program Director Jeremy Freimund, Lummi Water Resources Division Peter Frye, Lummi Planning Department